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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

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THE WASHINGTON POST

DAN MORGAN REVEALS THAT A U.S. "AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE" TO AN INTERNATIONAL GRAIN STOCKPILE WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE UN-SPONSORED WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE IN ROME NEXT MONTH. THE POST HAS BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN A COPY OF THE U.S. DRAFT POSITION WHICH WAS CIRCULATED AMONG BY GOVERNMENT AGENCIES THIS WEEK. SENIOR OFFICIALS SAID IT WAS STILL UNDECIDED WHETHER YOU WOULD PLEDGE AN INCREASED VALUE OF U.S. FOOD ASSISTANCE AT THE CONFERENCE. (A-1)

MARILYN BERGER NOTES THAT THE CONTENTS OF THE STILL SECRET 1970 "UNDERSTANDING" ON SOVIET NUCLEAR SUBS IN CUBA REACHED BETWEEN AMBASSADOR DOBRYNIN AND YOURSELF REMAINS KNOWN TO ONLY A FEW PEOPLE IN THE U.S. GOVERNMENT. U.S. OFFICIALS COULD NOT SAY, FOR EXAMPLE, WHETHER SECRETARY SCHLESINGER HAS BEEN APPRISED OF ITS CONTENTS. WHILE THE "UNDERSTANDING" REMAINS SECRET, IT IS NOT CLEAR WHETHER MOSCOW IS VIOLATING THE AGREEMENT OR WHETHER IT IS TESTING THE LIMITS OF THE ARRANGEMENT. NO OFFICIAL WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT WANTS TO MAKE ANY COMMENT ON THE NOTES, ESPECIALLY WHILE YOU ARE IN MOSCOW. (A-2) (TEXT TO FOLLOW)

RON NESSEN ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY PRESIDENT FORD HAS ORDERED AN END TO THE WEEKLY FLIGHTS TO SAN CLEMENTE CARRYING THE CLASSIFIED NSC BRIEF. LATER, JOHN HUSHEN EXPLAINED THAT THE MATERIAL IS NOW SENT TO MR. NIXON ON A HIGH-SECURITY CIRCUIT CONNECTING THE SITUATION ROOM WITH THE COAST GUARD STATION NEXT TO THE COMPOUND. (A-4)

MURREY MARDER REPORTS FROM MOSCOW THAT UNUSUALLY TIGHT SECRECY SURROUNDED YOUR DISCUSSION WITH BREZHNEV AS THE TWO OF YOU REACHED THE CORE ISSUE WHICH WILL TEST THE FUTURE OF DETENTE. THE U.S.-SOVIET NUCLEAR TALKS DOMINATE DIPLOMATIC INTEREST IN MOSCOW, EVEN THOUGH YOUR PRESENCE IS RECEIVING NOTICEABLY LESS PUBLICITY THAN BEFORE. SOVIET SOURCES CONCEDED PRIVATELY A DOUBLE KIND OF PROBING OF YOU IS GOING ON. THE SOVIET LEADERSHIP, WHILE BARGAINING WITH YOU,

HOW THE FORD ADMINISTRATION OPERATES IN CONTRAST TO THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION, AND ALSO IF YOUR AUTHORITY HAS BEEN DIMINISHED BY RECENT DOMESTIC CRITICISM. (A-12)

JOHN GOSKO WRITES THAT THERE IS A NAGGING SENSE OF DOUBT ABOUT WHETHER THE EUROPEAN SECURITY CONFERENCE ANY LONGER HAS REAL MEANING, SINCE THE CONFERENCE WAS UNABLE TO MEET THE ORIGINAL TIMETABLE AND HAS FAILED TO KEEP PACE WITH THE CHANGED CIRCUMSTANCES OF EAST-WEST RELATIONS. IT IS NO SECRET THAT YOU HAVE NEVER BEEN ESPECIALLY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THE CONFERENCE AND THAT WASHINGTON'S EXPECTATIONS FROM IT LAG BEHIND THOSE OF THE WEST EUROPEANS. (A-12)

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ROBERT KAISER WRITES THAT THE RECENT COMPROMISE ON SOVIET EMIGRATION IS EITHER ONE OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS OF THE COLD WAR ERA OR A TRICK FOR WHICH THE RUSSIANS COULD PAY DEARLY. IF THE AGREEMENT REALLY MEANS WHAT IT SEEMS TO, THE SOVIET COMPROMISE IS PERHAPS THE FIRST IMPRESSIVELY SELF-CONFIDENT DECISION THESE SOVIET LEADERS HAVE EVER TAKEN. IT IS ALSO A SIGNIFICANT SACRIFICE OF THEIR SOVEREIGNTY ON BEHALF OF DETENTE AND TRADE. (A-18)

EVANS AND NOVAK WRITE THAT PORTUGAL, ALONG WITH GREECE AND TURKEY, HAS NOW BECOME YET ANOTHER EXPLOSIVE PACKAGE IN THE SEEMINGLY INEXORABLE DECLINE OF AMERICAN POWER AND INFLUENCE ABROAD. THE PORTUGUESE HAVE BEEN CUT OFF BY THE U.S. FROM CERTAIN HIGHLY CLASSIFIED INFORMATION SINCE COMMUNIST PARTY

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IMPORTANCE TO THE U.S. REMAINS DIRECTLY ON THE RECORD. THE
DECISION NOW MUST BE TAKEN WHETHER TO ASK CONGRESS FOR A
NEW AID PROGRAM FOR PORTUGAL. (A-19)

THE NEW YORK TIMES

BERNARD GWERTZMAN WRITES THAT YOUR DISCUSSION WITH BREZHNEV YESTERDAY DEALT ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY WITH PUTTING FURTHER CURBS ON EACH SIDE'S ARSENAL OF OFFENSIVE STRATEGIC WEAPONS. AN AMERICAN SPOKESMAN SAID THAT THE ATMOSPHERE HAD BEEN "VERY FRIENDLY AND VERY CORDIAL." (1)

HENRY TANNER REPORTS YESTERDAY'S VOTE BY ARAB FOREIGN MINISTERS SUPPORTING THE PLO'S CLAIM TO CONTROL OVER WEST BANK TERRITORIES ISRAEL MAY EVACUATE. THIS STAND COULD CHANGE TODAY WHEN THE HEADS OF STATE MEET. (1)

TERENCE SMITH REPORTS THE ATMOSPHERE SURROUNDING THE RABAT CONFERENCE IS TENSE AND NERVOUS. THE EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR IN MOROCCO, WHEN HE WAS UNABLE TO LOCATE SADAT, SAID: "EVERYTHING IS TAKING SECOND PLACE TO SECURITY AT THIS CONFERENCE, EVEN EFFICIENCY." THIS FOLLOWS THE PLOT BY THE BSO TO ASSASSINATE AT LEAST FIVE ARAB HEADS OF STATE. (3)

JUAN DE ONIS NOTES FROM BEIRUT THAT MANY ARAB NEWSPAPERS HAVE BEEN RUNNING FULL ACCOUNTS OF WHAT THEY CLAIM TO BE PROPOSALS YOU MADE FOR THE "PARTIAL" SETTLEMENT OF THE MIDEAST DISPUTE. THESE INCLUDE AN ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL ABOUT 15 MILES EASTWARD ON THE EGYPTIAN FRONT IF CAIRO ASSUMES A COMMITMENT TO SUSPEND BELLIGERENCY FOR A YEAR. THERE WOULD BE NO ISRAELI WITHDRAWALS FROM GOLAN AT PRESENT. (3)

BERNARD WEINTRAUB COMMENTS FROM NEW DELHI THAT YOUR VISIT TO INDIA WILL INCLUDE AN EFFORT TO SETTLE THE "MISUNDERSTANDINGS" OF THE PAST. IT IS EXPECTED YOU WILL ALSO DISCUSS FURTHER TRADE AND ECONOMIC LINKS WITH INDIA, THE PERSISTENT INDIAN FEAR THAT WE WILL SELL ARMS TO PAKISTAN, AND OUR UNEASINESS ABOUT NUCLEAR MATTERS. THE SUCCESS OR FAILURE OF YOUR MISSION WILL DEPEND ON THE DEGREE OF RAPPORT BETWEEN MRS. GANDHI AND YOURSELF. (7)

A TIMES EDITORIAL SAYS BOTH THE INTEGRATION OF EUROPE AND A SOLUTION TO THE WORLD'S EXCRUCIATING OIL-MONEY PROBLEM SHOULD BE BROUGHT A STEP NEARER BY AGREEMENT OF THE EEC ON A COLLECTIVE EFFORT TO HELP ITS WEAKER MEMBERS FINANCE OIL-PAYMENTS DEFICITS. (30)

THE BALTIMORE SUN

PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU WARNED THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY YESTERDAY THAT IT RISKED LOSING ACCESS TO CANADA'S RAW MATERIALS

IF IT FAILS TO FORMULATE DRASTIC NEW POLICIES IN THE FIELD OF ENERGY, NATURAL RESOURCES, AND FOREIGN INVESTMENT WITH AN EYE TO LESSENING ITS DEPENDENCE ON THE U.S. TRUDEAU WAS IN BRUSSELS SEEKING A NONPREFERENTIAL TRADE AGREEMENT WITH THE EEC WHICH WOULD BE THE FIRST BETWEEN THE EEC AND AN INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRY. (A-2)

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ARNOLD ISAACS WRITES THAT THE FIRING OF 377 FIELD GRADE MILITARY OFFICERS AND FOUR CABINET MEMBERS YESTERDAY IN SOUTH VIETNAM WILL PROBABLY EMBOLDEN RATHER THAN PLACATE THE PROTEST MOVEMENT AGAINST CORRUPTION BECAUSE NO GENERAL OFFICERS WERE INCLUDED IN THIS PURGE. HOWEVER, THE DISMISSAL OF THE INFORMATION MINISTER WILL PROBABLY MEAN LESS HARSH ENFORCEMENT OF THE PRESS LAW. THE DEFENSE MINISTRY INDICATED THAT AN UNSPECIFIED

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NUMBER OF JUNIOR OFFICERS WILL ALSO BE DISMISSED. (A-2) HUNDREDS OF SOUTH KOREAN JOURNALISTS STAGED PROTEST RALLIES YESTERDAY IN SEOUL IN REACTION TO THE DETENTION OF SEVEN EDITORS OF TWO NEWSPAPERS. THE NEWSMEN DEMANDED A HALT TO GOVERNMENT SUPPRESSION OF THE PRESS. CATHOLIC CLERGYMEN AND LAITY ALSO TOOK PART IN PRAYER VIGILS YESTERDAY PROTESTING GOVERNMENT CORRUPTION AND DEMANDING A NEW CONSTITUTION. (A-4)

MICHAEL PARKS REPORTS THE DEATH YESTERDAY IN MOSCOW OF SOVIET MINISTER OF CULTURE YEKATERINA FURTSEVA. (A-4) THE SUN BELIEVES THAT STAGING THE 1980 OLYMPIC GAMES IN MOSCOW WILL PUT GREAT STRESS ON THE SOVIETS TO PROVIDE GOOD ACCOMMODATIONS FOR TENS OF THOUSANDS OF FOREIGN ATHLETES AND VISITORS. ADDITIONALLY, THE SOVIETS WILL HAVE TO ACCEPT AN INVASION OF THE WORLD PRESS WITHOUT REACTING THE WAY THEY DID TO THE TIME REPORTER ON YOUR CURRENT TRIP; NOR CAN THEY BOO AND HECKLE ATHLETES FOR POLITICAL REASONS. IF THEY CAN SUCCESSFULLY RISE TO THE OCCASION, THE RESULTING OPENNESS AND RELAXATION IN THEIR SOCIETY WHICH MAY ENSUE WILL PROMOTE PEACE AND GOODWILL. (A-18)

GARRY WILLS EDITORIALIZES THAT WHEN PRESIDENT FORD ASKED CON-

GRESS TO TRUST YOU IN YOUR EFFORTS TO SEEK PEACE ON CYPRUS BY NOT CUTTING MILITARY AID TO TURKEY HE WAS IN EFFECT ASKING CONGRESS TO BE HIS ACCOMPLICE IN BREAKING THE LAW. CONGRESS HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO RESUME ITS ROLE IN MAKING FOREIGN POLICY, BUT IT ABDICATED ITS RESPONSIBILITY AS IT DID WITH THE GULF OF TONKIN RESOLUTION. HE FURTHER ARGUES THAT IF GENERAL HAIG IS PUT IN CHARGE OF NATO, THAT ORGANIZATION WOULD BE OUTSIDE THE SPHERE OF SENATE CONTROL, BECAUSE HAIG'S VIEW OF RESPONSIVENESS TO NATIONAL LAW AND THE SENATE IS FORMED ALONG THE SAME LINES AS YOURS. YOUR ATTITUDE TOWARD LAW WAS REVEALED IN THE CHILE AFFAIR. (A-19)

THE WASHINGTON STAR-NEWS

JEREMIAH O'LEARY SAYS THERE WERE HINTS OF CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS IN YOUR TALKS WITH SOVIET LEADERS LAST NIGHT ON FURTHER AGREEMENT FOR LIMITATION OF STRATEGIC ARMS. THE NEWS BLACKOUT CONTINUES, AND NO CORRESPONDENTS HAVE SEEN YOU OR THE SOVIET LEADERS SINCE YOU ARRIVED. INFORMED SOURCES EXPECT AN ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY OF A FORD-BREZHNEV SUMMIT MEETING IN VLADI-

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VOSTOK NOVEMBER 23 AND 24TH. YOUR SCHEDULE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TRIP IS BELIEVED DEPENDENT UPON THE OUTCOME OF THE ARAB SUMMIT MEETINGS IN MOROCCO. (A-4)

HENRY BRADSHAW REPORTS FROM CANTON THAT THE POLITICAL STRUGGLE OVER THE LEADERSHIP IN CHINA IS IN A SUBDUED STAGE. BUT POSTERS PROCLAIMING THE CONFLICT BETWEEN RADICALS AND BUREAUCRATS WERE STILL IN EVIDENCE DURING THE CANTON FAIR. (A-5)

ANDREW BOROWIEC FINDS ANTI-AMERICANISM EVIDENT IN NICOSIA IN ANTICIPATION OF THE UN DEBATE ON CYPRUS MONDAY. THE GREEKS HOPE THE UN WILL CONDEMN THE INVASION, WHILE THE TURKS WANT TO PRESENT THEMSELVES AS VICTIMS OF GREEK AGGRESSION, SAVED ONLY BY THE ARRIVAL OF THE TURKISH ARMY. THE

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THE TENSION. GUNFIRE BROKE OUT ON THE GREEN LINE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE RESOLUTION WAS PASSED, AND MARTIAL LAW HAD TO BE EXTENDED FOR TWO MORE MONTHS. ONLY THE GREEK CYPRIOTS WERE PLEASED. MEANWHILE, THE GOVERNMENT IS MAKING LITTLE HEADWAY AGAINST THE MANY PROBLEMS IT FACES. (A-5)

LEE COHN REPORTS THAT U.S. IMPORTS OF OIL AND SOME OTHER PRODUCTS DROPPED SUBSTANTIALLY LAST MONTH, REDUCING THE

FOREIGN TRADE DEFICIT. IF THE IMPROVEMENT IS SUSTAINED FOR ANOTHER MONTH, THE DOLLAR SHOULD STRENGTHEN INTERNATIONALLY. HIGH PRICES ARE FORCING THE CURTAILMENT OF DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION, AND THE SLOWDOWN OF THE ECONOMY IS REDUCING DEMAND FOR IMPORTS GENERALLY. (A-6)

AN EDITORIAL DISCUSSES THE DEMONSTRATIONS IN JAPAN AGAINST THE PRESIDENTIAL VISIT. IT SUGGESTS IT IS ABOUT TIME FOR THE JAPANESE LEFT TO GROW UP AND ACCEPT THE FACT THAT HIGH-LEVEL DIPLOMACY REPRESENTS ONE OF THE HOPES FOR WORLD SURVIVAL AND FOR A COMMENSURATE JAPANESE ROLE IN THE PROCESS. (A-12)

RICHARD WILSON ASSESSES THE MAJOR PROBLEM IN BRITAIN AS AN INTERNAL LABOR CONVULSION WHICH NO PARTY CAN CONTROL. NATIONALIZATION SUBSIDIZES UNECONOMIC EMPLOYMENT AT GREAT EXPENSE TO THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT AND THE TAXPAYER. THE ONLY VISIBLE SOLUTION IS SIR KEITH JOSEPH, WHO SOUNDS LIKE AN INTELLECTUALIZED GEORGE WALLACE AND WHO ADVOCATES A RETURN TO MORAL ISSUES, NATIONAL PRIDE, AND PATRIOTISM. (A-12)

CHARLES BARTLETT SUGGESTS THAT PRESIDENT FORD NOT VISIT JAPAN BECAUSE NELSON ROCKEFELLER WILL NOT BE CONFIRMED BY

THEN AND CONGRESS WILL BE BACK IN SESSION VOTING ON THE FORD ECONOMIC PROGRAM. FOREIGN TRAVEL PRIMARILY TICKLES THE LEADER'S EGO. CERTAINLY FORD, HAVING REJECTED HIS PREDECESSOR'S EXAGGERATED STRESS ON FOREIGN POLICY AND DIAGNOSED THE ECONOMY AS THE MAIN ISSUE, WILL PUT HIS PRIORITIES IN QUESTION IF HE PURSUES HIS TRAVEL PLANS. IT IS RISKY TO GO TO JAPAN, AND SEOUL AND SIBERIA ARE REMOTE PORTS OF CALL FOR A PRESIDENT WITH A DISTINCT OBLIGATION TO SHELTER HIS COUNTRY FROM FURTHER TRAUMA. IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES, HE SHOULD ASK HIMSELF IF THE TRIP IS REALLY NECESSARY. (A-13)

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